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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
DWPI, USPTO, ESPACE, IEEE XPLORER, GOOGLE (sampling, function, grating, storage, hologram, code)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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A Y	US 6549664 (DAIBER et al.) 15 April 2003 Abstract Figures, Claims	13,23,26
A	BURYAK et al. "Optimization of Refractive Index Sampling for Multichannel Fiber Bragg Gratings" IEEE Journal of Quantum Electronics, Vol. 39, No. 1 January 2003 Whole document	1-33
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